

**ENTERED**

August 25, 2025

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

vs.

KEITH FITZGERALD WARD,  
*et al*

Defendants.

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§CRIMINAL ACTION No.  
4:25-CR-00010

JUDGE CHARLES ESKRIDGE

**SCHEDULING AND DOCKET CONTROL ORDER**

The Court ORDERS the following deadlines for further proceedings as follows:

1. 01/03/2026 **MOTIONS DEADLINE**  
Except for motions to suppress evidence or to dismiss, include certification that the movant and the respondent conferred in good faith and could not agree on proper disposition.
2. 02/02/2026 **PRETRIAL MATERIALS**
3. 02/06/2026 **PRETRIAL CONFERENCE**  
at 9:30 a.m.  
The parties must appear before Judge Charles Eskridge, Courtroom 9F. *Defendant must be present in person. Defendant must be present in person. Parties are required to disclose expert witness information 45-days prior to pretrial conference.*
4. 02/09/2026 **JURY SELECTION AND TRIAL**  
at 8:30 a.m.  
Not later than five business days before this date each party must file and deliver pretrial materials to the Court as directed in the Court's procedures.

5. Yes

**CONSENT TO EXCLUDABLE DELAY UNDER THE  
SPEEDY TRIAL ACT?**

Indicate *Yes* or *No*.

6. 5-7 days


**ESTIMATED TIME FOR TRIAL?**

Indicate the anticipated number of days.

Direct questions about this schedule to:

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Signed on August 22, 2025, at Houston, Texas.

  
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Hon. Charles Eskridge  
United States District Judge